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Fire Engineers meet with Personnel Board Chairman

By Alex G. Belisle

MILLBURY - On September 9, the Board of Fire Engineers met with Kevin Barrett, Chairman of the Personnel Board. Barrett asked for the meeting at the suggestion of the Board of Selectmen to clarify the process by which the fire engineers approve their raises and to inquire about certain issues regarding the raises given to the fire chief and the fire engineers.

Barrett explained that since becoming chairman of the personnel board, he has been trying to establish the responsibilities and the role of the personnel board with respect to awarding town salaries and the manner in which they are given. He questioned the way the salaries were dispersed by the board of fire engineers and sought a clarification from the engineers.

At issue were the raises given in FY '89 - '90 when the fire chief's salary increased from $8,536 to $10,000 and the engineers received nothing, and FY '90 - '91 when the first assistant engineer's salary increased from $3,200 to $3,360, the three remaining engineers' salaries increased from $1,200 to $1,260, and the fire chief received no raise.

What has angered the board of fire engineers is that for the last two years, they have not requested a salary increase for themselves in order to help the town balance its budget. In spite of that, raises were given by the personnel board and the finance committee.

Barrett asked the engineers if they had authority to control their salaries. "It's a precedent setting thing that's unheard of in any other business or government where the appointed bodies have control over their own salaries," he said.

Fire Chief Phil Day explained that the board of fire engineers was established under Massachusetts General Law 48, Section 45, which provides for the appointment of a board of up to 12 engineers to administer the fire department. Within that framework, the "Salaries, Administrative" account is voted at Town Meeting as a line item, and the engineers then divide the money as they choose.

Barrett asked about the 5% raise that the Personnel Board voted to give to the engineers and the fire chief in FY '90-'91.

In responding to that question, Day said he was puzzled how the fire engineers could send over a budget to the personnel board only to have the personnel board add to the request. "We send over our request 'Salary Administrative' account - with a breakdown - and you opt to change that." (The board of engineers voted no raise for FY '90-'91).

Barrett questioned the raises given during FY '89 - 90. He said that he had served on the personnel board from about March of 1989 and was not involved in the entire recommending process.

Day said the fire engineers had asked to meet with the personnel board in 1989 to discuss raises.

Barrett said that then Fire Chief Thomas Nault had met with the board, and a 5% raise was given to the chief and the engineers.

Day asked, "Is that the raise that was not requested by this board?"

Barrett responded that if the engineers had not included a salary increase, the personnel board would have assigned one.

Day then said, "The engineers sent their budget request with certain requests to you (the personnel board) and you sent it back with totally different figures. I'm not sure which chapter and number your board follows to give you that authority," he said.

Fire Engineer John Donnelly added, "If we send a level funded budget, where do you go increasing it? Where do you get away with that? (Because of) the (troubled fiscal) times that we're in now, we opted not to go for an increase, and we voted it over here, and we sent a level funded budget over to your committee, and you increased it. Where do you get away with that?" he asked.

Barrett answered, "The budget is voted at the town meeting."

Donnelly countered, "That's not what I'm asking. I asked you a question; you changed our budget."

Barrett replied that the engineers' budget was changed at the town meeting.

Donnelly disagreed, stating that the finance committee and the personnel board changed their budget before the town meeting. He explained that three years ago the personnel board made all the recommendations for raises on the town floor at the request of the chairman of the finance committee.

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Flag Presented

SUTTON - Cub Scouts Eric Jones, Kevin Blanchard, and Mike Fusaro stand at attention during the presentation of a flag flown over the White House to the Sutton Historical Society. The presentation was made by Virginia Kozlowski, Regent of the Daughters of the American Revolution, to Malcolm Pearson, President of the Sutton Historical Society.

Committee Votes 3-2 Not to Re-hire Romasco as Basketball Coach

By Edward J. Cooney

SUTTON - Due to the Special Town Meeting, the September 9 School Committee meeting was moved up to 6:30 p.m. Minutes for the August meeting were approved unanimously. No one present wished to speak to any agenda item, so Chairman Glen Anderson moved on to a list of appointments for extra-curricular positions recommended by Superintendent Gordon Spence.

The Chair read through the list totaling 15 different positions. Two positions were placed on hold: Boys Varsity Basketball Coach and Boys Junior High Basketball Coach. The committee voted unanimously to approve all of the other recommendations: Boys Assistant Basketball Coach, William Ellis; Girls Basketball Coach, Janice Boule; Golf Coach, William Ellis; Baseball Coach, Richard Stockhaus; Yearbook Advisor, Anne Keegan; Newspaper Advisor, Diane Stevens; Dramatics Club Advisor, Arthur Sacco; Senior Class Advisor, Beverly Johnson; Junior Class Advisor, Diane Phaneuf; Sophomore Class Advisor, Beverly Anderson; National Honor Society Advisor, Janice Boule; Intramural Tennis Coach, Mark Smith; Junior High Intramural Basketball Coach, Mark Smith.

The committee then proceeded to discuss the recommendation to re-appoint Stephen Romasco as Boys Varsity Basketball Coach.

Committeewoman Ann Fox asked the Chair if it was appropriate to move not to appoint Romasco to the coaching position.

Anderson said it would have to be a positive motion.

Committee member Linda Roach then moved to appoint Romasco to the position of varsity basketball coach.

Anderson asked for a second, but received none. He stepped down from the Chair and made the second.

Roach then asked for discussion on the motion.

Fox said she did not think Romasco was the right person for the job and said she had discussed this with the Athletic Director many times.

Roach remarked that it looked as though no one was going to say why they would not vote for Romasco, but said she was prepared to say why she would vote for him. "He is one of the better coaches in the area. When he ran the Biddy Ball program he did a good job. It was a terrific program," Roach said.

Fox said she did not think it was fair to discuss the issue without Romasco being present.

"From my experience with Steve Romasco," Anderson said, "and what I have seen, he has added to our program. It's better because of him. We have a top notch, well run program. It will be a big loss to the Town of Sutton if we do not rehire him as basketball coach."

The committee then voted 3-2 not to rehire Romasco as the Boys Varsity Coach.

[The Chronicle attempted to speak with Romasco but was told through Principal Ed Grant that he would prefer not to comment on the vote at this time.]

Voting not to rehire were Fox and committee members Sue Horne and Andrew Smith.

Following the vote, Roach asked the committee, "How did we just vote down a position without anyone giving a reason?"

There was no response to her question.

Roach then asked for a five minute recess, which the Chair allowed.

On returning to the agenda, the committee discussed rehiring William Brosnihan for the Junior High Basketball coaching position.

Roach reported that she, as a school committee member, had received complaints that practice sessions have not been run as well as they could have been.

Athletic Director Veto Filipkowski asked Roach to clarify her statement.

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To the Editor:

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Sincerely,
Lea and Pauline

Says Ouster is Irreplaceable Loss

To the Editor:

I am writing this letter concerning the "OUSTING" of Chief Thomas Nault of the Millbury Fire Department.

The OUSTING of Chief Nault without just cause and the opportunity of a public hearing is a travesty of justice. Even the most hideous criminal is afforded due process and is considered innocent until proven guilty. Most Chiefs in the Commonwealth work under Chapter 48, section 42 or 42a, the chief is appointed by the Board of Selectmen and can be removed by the Board only for just cause and after a hearing not because "IT IS TIME FOR A CHANGE."

Chief Thomas Nault has all the qualifications for the position of Fire Chief. He has a degree in Fire Science, Masters Degree in Psychology and a Bachelors Degree in Education. Chief Nault also has numerous certifications from the National Fire Academy in Eminsburg, Md. and the Massachusetts Fire Academy. He is past president of the Blackstone Valley Forestry Association and the Worcester Area Fire Chiefs Association. He is currently the secretary to the Massachusetts Fire District 7 Mutual Aid Association. He is a Member of the International Association of Fire Chiefs and the New England division of the International and the Massachusetts Fire Chief's Association. Chief Nault is respected among the Fire Chiefs of Massachusetts and is called upon for his expertise in Fire Prevention by many of us. The "OUSTING" of Chief Nault is a great loss to the many organizations he belonged to, and to his fellow Fire Chiefs. It is also an irreplaceable loss to the residents and business community of the town of Millbury.

Roger G. Belhumeur, Fire Chief
Auburn Fire Department

SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

SUTTON - The Women's Fellowship of Sutton will hold a Whist party at 7:30 p.m. at the First Congregational church. Admission is $2.00.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

MILLBURY - The Women's Fellowship of the First Congregational Church on West Main Street will sponsor a flea market in the church vestry from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

MANCHAUG - A hot and cold buffet will be offered at St. Anne's Church, Main Street, from 4-7 p.m. $5.00 for adults and $2.50 for pre-teens.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

Blackstone Valley Heritage Homecoming Parade beginning at 2:00 p.m. at the town line on Central Street in Millville. Millbury and Sutton participants.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

MILLBURY - A special town meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Auditorium.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

MILLBURY - Cub Scout Pack 109 will be hold its first Pack meeting of the school year at 6:30 p.m., downstairs at the Federated Church.

Millbury Fall Athletics

MILLBURY - The 1991 M.H.S. fall athletic season has begun with soccer teams beginning play this week. Full fall athletic schedules may be picked up at various banks in town or at the high school office. Below is a list of night, home soccer games and home football games for this season. Adult ticket prices are $3.00 per game and student tickets are $2.00 per game. Senior citizens and children under 10 will be admitted free of charge.

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Monday September 23, Girls' JV (5:30) Girls' varsity (7:00)
Thursday Sept. 26, Girls' varsity (5:30), Boys' varsity (7:00)
Monday September 30, Boys' JV (5:30) Boys' varsity (7:00)
Wednesday October 2, Girls' varsity (7:00)
Friday October 4, Boys' JV (6:00) Boys' varsity (7:30)
Monday October 14, Girls' varsity (5:30) Boys' varsity (7:30)

VARSITY FOOTBALL

Saturday September 21, 1:30 at Millbury High
Friday September 27, 7:00 at Windle Field
Friday October 11, 7:00 at Windle Field
Friday October 18, 7:00 at Windle Field
Saturday November 9, 1:30 at Millbury High

Veteran's Agent in Sutton

SUTTON - The Veterans' Agent will be at the Sutton Town Hall (Town Clerk's Office) from 3-4 p.m. every Tuesday afternoon beginning October 1, 1991

Chief Baker Joins 'Run for Jimmy'

BOSTON - Sutton Police Chief William Baker will again join forces with 40 other chiefs throughout the Commonwealth on Saturday and Sunday, September 28-29 to run from the Massachusetts/New York border to Dana-Farber Cancer Institute to raise funds for Dana-Farber's Jimmy fund. The annual "Run for Jimmy," now in its eighth year, has raised a total of $485,000 in support of cancer research and treatment at the Institute.

The relay run starts in Hancock in the Berkshires on the Massachusetts/New York state border. Chiefs will pass a baton from one to anther as the run progresses through 30 cities and towns in Massachusetts. Residents are welcome to cheer on their local chief as he passes through their town.

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Millbury Selectmen's Meeting Digest

Personnel Issues Top Agenda

By Edward J. Cooney

MILLBURY - The September 10 Selectmen's Meeting convened at 7:00 P.M.

Administrator's Update

Administrative Assistant Earl Chase reported that the town's Energy Initiative Program will begin with the replacement of bulbs and ballasts throughout the town hall to save energy costs. Street light conversion is slated to begin shortly as all materials for that project have been received.

Chase said that after doing some research, he discovered that historically the Town has required physical for Civilian Defense positions. He said he would notify those already appointed and the two new applicants of that requirement.

Jughandle

Chase said he spoke with John Hoya of the State Department of Public Works concerning a meeting on the issue of the jughandle to be located on Rte 20 opposite the entrance to the Latti Farm Industrial Park. He said a meeting will be set up with town officials after a proposed meeting in Boston is held.

Board Chairman Jude Cristo said the delays appear to be caused by trade-offs between the State and the developer, Anthony Gallo.

Chase indicated it also could be because the private sale of land is not now possible and the State will have to take the land by eminent domain. "We have to emphasize that to the State," Chase said.

Cristo remarked that it looks like the Board doesn't have many options. He asked if the proposal to have the State pay for the construction of the jughandle rather than the developer is a fact.

Chase replied that at this stage it is a proposal.

Cristo then said, "This is an example of why people are skeptical. This project has been on the boards for a decade. They can't put in a little jughandle, how are they going to be able to do the Turnpike Interchange expeditiously. You have to be skeptical that the Turnpike Interchange will ever be done."

Cristo noted the importance of the project being completed expeditiously, not only for safety reasons but for economic reasons as well since there are still parcels available in the Industrial Park.

Cristo then asked why meetings on this issue can be held anywhere but in town. He suggested that a letter be sent to the D.P.W. asking for a posted, public meeting, late in the afternoon in town, with the Board of Selectmen and local legislators. On a motion by Selectman Roland Lachance, the board voted unanimously to execute Cristo's suggestion.

Appointment

The Board interviewed two candidates, Paul Crawford and Eileen Perez, for one opening on the Personnel Board. Crawford is a former employee of the Worcester Providence Railroad and is now a private consultant on railroad safety. He said he has no personnel experience but does have experience working with unions and management on safety issues and health benefits.

Perez is a computer engineer for Digital. She said she has had supervisory experience but no personnel relations experience.

The vote was 4-1 for Crawford, with Selectman Gerry Bleau voting for Perez.

Sick Leave Bank

The Board met with Town Treasurer David Cofske and Personnel Board Chairman Kevin Barrett to discuss the sick leave bank. The bank at present is unfunded.

Cristo said in the event an individual in a one person department is out sick for a long time and money to cover that is not funded in any budget, you could see that position wiped out.

Cofske noted that if a person replaces the individual out sick, you now have two salaries with one not budgeted. This situation would require going to the Finance Committee for a transfer of funds. He also said that if a person retires and looks for payback of sick days, a department head would not want to sign a voucher to take that money out of the department's budget.

Cristo remarked that it was like an unfunded pension liability.

The discussion also brought up using personnel from departments that have two or three people in them to fill in for someone out sick, which would reduce costs.

It was suggested that these issues be considered when contract discussions come up.

Bleau suggested that department heads also be involved in the negotiations as they know more about what goes on on a day to day basis than the Selectmen and the Personnel Board.

Lachance moved that the item concerning the sick leave bank be put on the agenda under old business for ongoing discussions. The Board agreed.

Cristo then asked Cofske to comment on listing salaries separately in the annual town report so people will have a true picture of what town employees' base salaries are. Some employees may receive pay from more than one department but only one total is recorded in the report at present.

Cofske said a town bylaw requires that wages be placed in the town report based on an individual's W-2 form. He said there are instances where employees are using tax deferred allowances which would not show the real salary on the W-2 forms. He said the bylaw would have to be changed to accommodate Cristo's suggestion.

Cristo said he would like to see the actual pay for employees categorized under each department. "People want to know what people are doing and what they are getting paid," he said.

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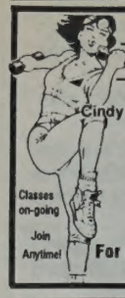

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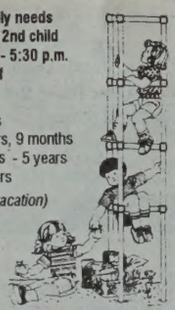

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Lachance questioned why that information should be put in at all, noting that it is not done in all towns. "It's a public record, and any person can come into town hall and get that information," he said.

The Board decided to discuss the issue further after looking at the present bylaw.

Executive Session

The Board then voted on a role call vote to move to executive session with Town Counsel to discuss matters pertaining to litigation surrounding the lawsuit filed against the Town by the Paul Revere Condominium Association.

Miscellaneous

- Chase reported that James O'Leary of the Carpenters Training School advised him that the doors at the rear of the Center School are okay and the door frame can be rebuilt by students at the Training school. With respect to the rehabilitation of the West Millbury school, Chase said it would be too time-consuming for the students.

- A budget committee is being formed with four of the seven members picked: Chester Hanratty, Dave Cofske, Donald Gauthier, and Harold Ostrowski.

- After several months of discussion on whether or not to add the phrase "Millbury - The Gateway to The Blackstone Valley" to the board's stationery, board members decided to drop the suggestion from the agenda without taking any action on the proposal. The vote was 4-1 with Cristo opposed.

- The Board took no action on a District 7 Mutual Aid Agreement that was presented at their last meeting by Fire Engineer Tom Nault. Chase said the Fire Engineers are not ready to make a recommendation on the agreement. Bleau said he thought they acted on the agreement last week. Gauthier said they did not.

- Bleau asked that something be done to verify what is being spent in the Dog Officer's Budget as there appears to be no audit of where the money is being spent. He referred to the dog cages at the kennel that are owned by the town. He said he had no doubt that the cages are there but noted that it would be prudent on the part of the town to verify that fact. Chase will look into it.

- Bleau then said he would like the board to consider getting rid of the town's labor counsel, John Chinian, as he doesn't think the town is getting any value from his services.

- Bleau said that although he is not opposed to a proposed bylaw for health insurance benefits for surviving spouses of retirees, he feels there should be research to find out how much money would be required for the bylaw before the Special Town Meeting.

- Lachance asked the Board to go on record as opposed to a Douglas/Uxbridge site for a major airport. The Board voted 4-1 to go on record as opposed, Cristo voting in the negative, indicating he didn't think he had enough information to vote on the issue at this time.

In other matters, the board:

- approved street opening requests from ComGas at Croyden at Millbury Avenue, Alpine at Louis Ballard Lane, Alpine at Beach Street, and at 8 Fontaine Street.

- took no action on a suggestion by Bleau that disabled retirees be asked to come back and take a physical exam. Board members said they wanted to research what the cost of such action might be to the town, especially if a disabled retiree lives out of state.

Hiring Freeze

Cristo asked his colleagues to consider backing a hiring freeze.

Personnel Board Chairman Kevin Barrett noted that Judy O'Connor, Director of the Council on Aging, chose not to fill a position after there were no bidders for an opening in her department. He said she then went to Marie Collachio, Tax Collector, and asked for the use of one of the three employees in her department for three to five hours. He said O'Connor's request was turned down.

Chase said it would be difficult to have a freeze if there are funds in the budget, especially when you include elected officials.

"We need a freeze," Cristo said. "The onus is on this Board to try to plan for the future."

Selectman Bernard Plante said a freeze would only work if all departments are willing to share in filling in when needed in other departments.

Chase said there might be some flack from the union over that proposal.

Cristo suggested that the board take "the bull by the horns." "If people want to challenge it," he said, "let the axe fall where it may. Let's go for a hiring freeze."

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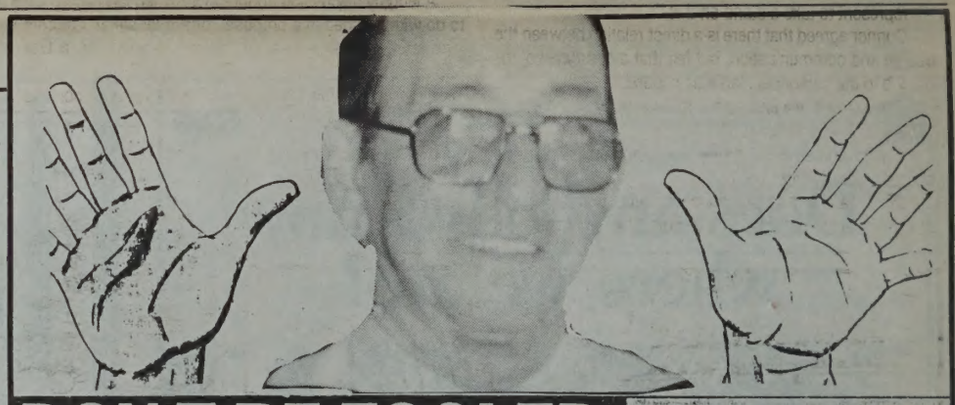

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Board Reviews Goals and Objectives

By Lawrence Moore

SUTTON - Following the Special Town Meeting on September 9, the selectmen returned to the Town Hall. At 8:33, Chair David Strieby called the Selectmen's meeting to order. Present were board members Wally Johnson, Mike Chizy, Mary K. Connor, Rick LaBonte and Town Administrator Dexter Blois.

Goals and Objectives

Strieby presented for discussion his distillation of the goals submitted by each member. He recommended action be taken on the following items:

1. The Planning Board report on unused Town-owned land.
2. Scholarship Fund voted by the Town Meeting.
3. Continued emphasis on the Manchaug sewer project.
4. Use of Recreational areas town wide.
5. Balanced budget for FY '93, with consideration of alternative funding.
6. Code Enforcement Officer.
7. Improved communication between Departments and Boards.
8. Master Plan update.

Chizy opened the discussion, saying, "I think a Code Enforcement Officer would pay for himself." He felt that codes, rules and regulations were not being enforced, that volunteer boards were unable to enforce, and that some of the problems being encountered as a result of development could be avoided. The penalties exacted under Non-Criminal Enforcement statutes could pay for the position. Lengthy discussion followed, pro and con. It was finally decided to prepare a job description, and to estimate the possibility of the job paying for itself.

LaBonte stressed the need for expanded parking space around Town Hall. All concurred in the need.

LaBonte also expanded his budget concerns in relation to better communications among departments. "We had an example this year where we (non-school) did one thing and another department (school) did another," he said. "I thought we had agreed that a 3% pay raise was all that could be afforded. The School Committee acts in one fashion and we end up reacting to that."

They certainly have the right to disagree with us on this," LaBonte continued, "but we have an obligation to the people we represent to take a stand on this."

Connor agreed that there is a direct relation between the budget and communication, but felt that a coordinated approach to the personnel plan was needed.

"Hopefully it will end up fair to everybody," Chizy said. "This year it wasn't fair at all."

It was agreed to combine the communications and budget objectives into one.

Connor added a short term recommendation: the review of the Power Plant Task Force Report. She said there were many non-controversial ideas for the good of the town that should be implemented. "I think we owe it to ourselves to do something about their report," she said, "since they had some by-law recommendations" that would be of benefit to the town.

In connection with the Master Plan Update, a resident emphasized the importance of the plan as a prerequisite to the implementation of Impact Fees, which are on the schedule for the current legislative session.

Strieby mentioned the commonality of interest in the recreation program.

LaBonte asked Blois if he was working on the Enterprise Fund idea as a means to coordinate recreational activities.

Saying yes, Blois said the fund was not primarily related to fees but rather to how the town pays for recreation. He also said the fund would be town-wide and not limited to Camp Marion.

Johnson said regardless of how, it is necessary to establish a long-range recreation plan.

Blois said the Enterprise Fund would be voted on at the May 1992 Town Meeting and be effective in July 1992 if passed. He also said that in preparation for the fund, a facilities plan should be in effect.

All agreed that the fund was a means to fund the program, not to run it, and that the Recreation Committee should set recreation policy, not the Board.

Johnson emphasized the importance to the town of the Manchaug sewer project, suggesting that the town seek money and implement the system as soon as possible.

Blois reported at the moment interest abatement was the only thing available, but that if the town is not ready to go, there is no telling how long the interest break would be available.

Strieby questioned the status of the Solid Waste Committee. Blois reported an opening on the committee and said the work was proceeding as planned and that he "had a pretty good handle on it."

LaBonte reported that Representative Moore was scheduled to go to Washington on September 10 to discuss the proposed Uxbridge Airport with legislators.

A lengthy discussion about town-owned land and what to do with it ended in a proposal for further study. LaBonte suggested the study only of "active" property as a first priority.

Connor said the town should be ready to respond to requests to use certain pieces like the old Wilkinsonville School land. Johnson repeated his suggestion that the school land be mined for its gravel, leveled, and cleaned up.

LaBonte reported on a meeting planned for Sunday, September 22 to talk about copying the Veterans Field project at the Wilkinsonville school grounds.

Blois cautioned about acting on any town property until a long range plan considers the need for other projects, such as, expanded facilities for the Council on Aging and eventually an expanded library. Considering that growth would also require expanded facilities for town operation, these other activities might have to move. Other properties such as the hatchery were suggested for recreation, especially, as mentioned by Johnson, since parking would be a problem at the school grounds.

Blois suggested including in the Master Plan review and update, the Power Plant recommendation review and the Open Space plan review.

Johnson said an immediate goal was the settling of the hydrant rental dispute. In addition, he felt the relation of the installation of a water line to the size of a building lot should be studied, possibly leading to a revision of zoning by-laws. He said the ability to reduce lot size with water but no sewerage was a dangerous potential liability to town welfare.

Johnson also said that the current recession has called a halt to the proliferation of building and, as Blois said, given the town a chance to breathe. "They wouldn't listen," Johnson said. "When they were changing lot sizes I wanted to put water and sewer as a requirement for a smaller lot. But no, they said, water or sewer was ample. The important thing is sewerage."

Blois said the issue was probably addressed in the Master Plan, as a suggested zoning change.

Upcoming

Johnson announced that he and Bud Gurney were going to provide a four-horse hitch for the Millville Anniversary celebration on September 22. The Board will ride on the wagon. Mary Arakelian is coordinating Sutton activities.

Accident

Blois announced that the Fire Chief's cruiser had been in an accident and was totalled, having crashed with a car running a "Stop" sign. The chief was returning from a Mutual Aid call in Northbridge. Blois had been planning to convert the car to a police cruiser. He is having difficulty locating satisfactory used vehicles, and may convert a very old police cruiser to a fire cruiser to replace the damaged fire vehicle.

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College Fair

WORCESTER - The Clark University College Fair will be held on Monday, September 30th, from 9 a.m. to noon and 7 to 9 p.m. A bus will be available for the senior college bound students interested in attending the Fair. The bus fee is $1.50 However the evening hours 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. are the best time for the students and their parents to attend the Fair. It is less crowded, and parents as well as students have an opportunity to ask questions of the college representatives.

Golf Tournament

WHITINSVILLE - The Blackstone Valley Chamber of Commerce will hold its second annual School/Business Partnership Golf Tournament on Thursday, October 3 at the Whitinsville Golf Club, starting at 12:30 p.m. The tournament helps to raise funds for the Partnership Committee's grant program which benefits all school systems in the Blackstone Valley. Last year's tournament raised a total of $2500. The entry fee is $75 per player. It includes greens fee, cart, prizes, lunch, dinner and a grant donation. To register, or for more information, contact Mary Hubbard or Sandy Haagsma at 1-800-244-2924 or 753-2924.

Women's Bowling League

The Women's Bowling League has begun its new season. The theme for the teams this year is "Flowers". The following are the teams and members:

#1 - IMPATIENS: Pat Gaspar, Captain; Marge McArdle; Mary Jo Boire; Barbara Murray; Bernie Lemoine

#2 - DAFFY-DILLS: Becky Rushton, Captain; Ellie Gosselin; Louise Cusson; Bette Pichierri; Doris Collette

#3 - PANSIES: Charlotte Gabree, Captain; Bobbee Bernard; Debby Boire; Jeanette Aubin; Marion Hamilton

#4 - PHLOX: Gail Higginbottom, Captain; Ellen Bouvier; Bridget Grenier; Alice Lucier; Alene Saxby

#5 - LILLIES: Ann Coons, Captain; Joan DeSantis; Tillie Maguire; Dot Jacques; Aggie Boire

#6 - MUMS: Kathy Marble, Captain; Irma Healy; Ellie Sulham; Martha Bekier; Lois White

The three high triples were rolled by: Gail Higginbottom, 306, with strings of 87-100-119; Pat Gaspar, 303, with strings of 107-105-91; and Joan DeSantis, 299, with strings of 97-89-113.

Eight rolled over 100: Gail Higginbottom, 119-100; Pat Gaspar, 107-105; Becky Rushton, 103-101; Joan DeSantis, 113; Charlotte Gabree, 112; Dot Jaques, 107; Tillie Maguire, 107; and Irma Healy, 106.

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Pansies	4	4
Phlox	4	4
Lillies	4	4
Mums	4	4
Daffy-Dills	2	6

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Dot Jacques 91.0
Kathy Marble 89.0

HIGH TRIPLE
Gail Higginbottom 306
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Joan DeSantis 299

Surplus Food Distribution

MILLBURY - A surplus food distribution will be held Tuesday, September 24, 1991 from 9-11:00 a.m. and 1-2:00 p.m. at the Asa Waters Mansion, 123 Elm Street. This is for Millbury residents only. All recipients must demonstrate their need by showing documentation of their participation in any of the following programs; food stamps, AFDC, Welfare, SSI, Medicaid, Head Start, Fuel Assistance, WIC, Veterans Aid, or Unemployment.

On The Shelf

By Rosemary Waltos

Friends of the Millbury Public Library! What Are We? The Friends is a non-profit, educational and charitable organization. Membership is open to all persons interested in the improvement and growth of the Library. Our objectives are:

-Increase public awareness and the use of Library resources and services;
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Nominees for Director

SUTTON - Following is a list of the nominees for the Board of Directors of the Sutton Historical Society to be elected at the October 1 annual meeting: Barbara Bessette, Leona Dona, Daniel W. Griffith, Mary B. King, Nancy Lavoie, Ethel M. O'Day, Malcolm D. Pearson, John Perry, and Scott Bennett.

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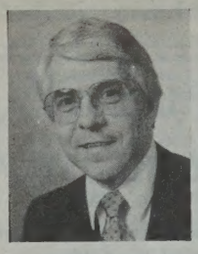

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Barrett said that three years ago he was not a member of the personnel board and could not comment on that action.

Day stated that the personnel board makes recommendations to the finance committee and the board of selectmen. "This board of fire engineers and no single person can go over to your board to ask for a pay raise unless it's cleared by this board," Day said. "I though that two years ago that was all straightened out when they increased the chief's salary by $1,700 dollars - only the fire chief's salary." Day explained that the actual salary increase was $1,600 plus to bring the chief's salary up to $10,000 dollars.

Day said the board of fire engineers is a "board" and that the personnel board should not be responding to any one fire engineer.

Barrett asked, "The chairman of your board (the chief fire engineer) is not authorized to speak for your board?"

"Not going after pay raises on his own," Day responded.

Barrett said that as chairman of the personnel board, he is authorized to speak for his board.

Day said any member of the board of fire engineers can be authorized to speak to the board, but not as an individual.

Barrett said that when the chairman comes before the personnel board, it is reasonable for the board to conclude that he speaks for the board of fire engineers.

Day then asked Barrett if the information reporting his discussion with the selectmen over the salary and raise process of the fire engineers as recorded in the *Chronicle* was accurate.

Barrett responded, "I don't read newspapers."

Day said that many of the statements Barrett made at that meeting were inaccurate and gave him the article to read.

After reading it, Barrett responded, "That's basically what happened."

Barrett said that he received a call from the town treasurer stating that he had vouchers for engineer salary increases over what the personnel board had approved.

Donnelly said the town meeting votes their line item, and the fire engineers have authority to disburse that money as they choose.

Barrett responded, "The personnel board approved a 5% raise (in FY '90-'91) for the fire chief and the engineers, and it came back a 10% raise for the engineers and nothing for the chief."

Donnelly asked, "Did we ask for a 5% raise?"

Barrett said the board received a letter from then Chief Nault that the board had given itself a 10% raise.

Day explained that the board of fire engineers had discussed the raise issue some 12 times. He said if the personnel board had had a problem with the raises, they could have asked to meet with them.

Barrett said he had no concern until he received a letter from the board outlining that the four members of the fire engineers were receiving a 10% increase and the chief nothing, which was in conflict with what the personnel board had approved. "If you're going to disagree with the decision of the personnel board," he said, "then you should let us know."

"You should do the same for us," snapped Donnelly.

"We did," responded Barrett.

"When?" Donnelly asked. "We sent over a level funded budget; you turned around and increased the chief's salary. We didn't ask for that. We sent over a level funded budget; we didn't ask for any increases, and you didn't ask us. This board votes our own salaries."

"Every year, we do that," Day added.

Nault then said no letter was sent. He explained that he had returned a form asking "what you (the engineers) had for raises. I filled it out and sent it back," he said. "There was no letter sent. It was a requested form from the personnel board, and it was on a format that every department got, and I put down exactly what was requested."

Barrett agreed that it was the form he was referring to and not a "letter" from which the committee got its figures.

Nault said that in FY '89-'90 the fire engineers did submit a level funded budget. "About a week or two afterwards," he said, "the School Committee gave (Superintendent) Al Sylvia about 11% over three years. And that was after the selectmen had asked the departments to level fund - hold the line- no raises - no hiring and so forth. The next thing I received was a request from the finance committee asking what a 5% and what a 7% increase would look like on a budget. I put those figures together; sent them over, and then they gave everybody 5%. This board was really upset, and I got the distinct impression from this board that I was finagling with the finance committee about 5% here and 5% there when we had never requested (a) 5% (raise)."

Barrett said with reference to the FY '89-'90 raise, it was the finance committee that "played" with the engineers' figures. He also said the personnel board increased raises over the finance committee's recommendation if they were warranted. He said they do not vote any pay increases that were not voted at town meeting. He said that he recalls that the town feared layoffs and salary freezes then came up with the money and made recommendations to the personnel board which resulted in raises in '89-'90.

As to FY '90-'91, Barrett said that his committee received a request from the board of fire engineers for a 5% increase in the salary budget, and he interpreted that as meaning a 5% increase for each member.

Donnelly countered that the fire engineers submitted a 5% increase in the "Salary Administrative" account which the town voted, and it is in their authority to divide it as they see fit.

Day explained that the engineers in FY '90 - '91 received a 5% increase, and after discussing for many months how the raise should be disbursed, decided to raise the first assistant engineer's salary from $3,200 to $3,360 and the other engineers' salaries from $1,200 to $1,260 because, the year before, the fire chief received a raise from $8,536 to $10,000 or $1,454 and the engineers received nothing. Day said that represents about a 17% raise for the chief. He explained that the last salary increase was not voted by the board of engineers.

Nault explained that in FY '89- '90 he had gone before the personnel board and asked for the criteria the board used for paying the chief. He said that then Personnel Board Chairman Craig Coppola asked Nault to put some criteria together, which he did, with salary recommendations. It was at this time that the personnel board raised the fire chief's salary from $8,536 to $10,000.

Nault added that in FY '90-'91, he asked for level funding for the chief and a 5% increase for the engineers. The personnel board gave a 5% raise across the board. This combined amount (the 5% for the chief and the engineers) was on the town budget as "Salaries Administrative" and was approved by the town meeting.

The board of fire engineers expressed anger that Nault had gone to the personnel board - the action that resulted in the 17% increase - after he sent the personnel board the criteria.

Nault said all he did was inquire about the criteria for salary increases for the chief.

The meeting concluded with Barrett telling the board that he would be researching the law which defines the powers and responsibilities of the board of fire engineers. The fire engineers agreed to meet with him again.

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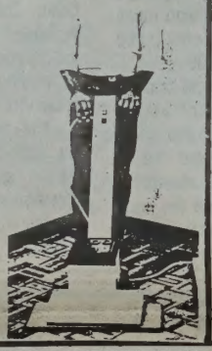

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Pole Petition

A pole petition for 512 Central Turnpike continued from last week is scheduled to be reheard. Al Trychon, the telephone company representative, will provide new information. Blois invited the Board to view the site if they had further questions. There are many questions about the pole, the driveway, zoning restrictions, and a possible development on part of the land. Blois said town concerns are with the drainage that has to be put in at the end of a driveway and the completion of the driveway to conform with Zoning Board restrictions.

Public Hearing

Blois mentioned that the Finance and Warrant Advisory Committee will hold a Public Hearing on October 7 on the warrant for the October Town Meeting. There are 20 articles proposed for the warrant. Non-routine articles include:

- a petition to pay past due Hydrant fees - $20,005.
- a petition to pay current Hydrant fees - $12,089.
- amending the by-laws to allow the Recreation Committee to set fees.
- rezoning the corner of Buttonwood and Providence Roads from R1 to B2.
- amending by-laws to establish handicapped parking regulations.
- Accepting MGL Ch 90 Sec 20A 1/2 to increase parking fines.

Also on the warrant is the acceptance of streets on Pine Ridge. Johnson proposed not acting on these petitions until the drainage problems on Stone School Road have been addressed. There is confusion about whether a perimeter drain was called for or installed.

Gas Line

It was noted that resident Richard Trudell called Connor about the possibility of a gas line going through his house. Several other residents are also concerned. On the plan, the gas company's easement does go through Trudell's property. Trudell claims the Gas Company changed its plans since he bought his house.

Blois said he conferred with Trudell and gave him the names of people at the Company with whom he can discuss his situation. It was mentioned that the Urbanowski swimming pool was also in the path, they having called LaBonte.

Johnson suggested bringing the gas company in for another meeting with the affected residents.

The meeting adjourned at 10 P.M.

Pack 109 Meeting

MILLBURY - Cub Scout Pack 109 will be hold its first Pack meeting of the school year on Wednesday, September 25 at 6:30 p.m., downstairs at the Federated Church. This meeting is for all new and returning Cub Scouts and Tigers and their adult partners or families. Any boy who missed registration but would like to join the Pack is welcome to attend and register at the meeting. Fun and refreshments are scheduled as well as information on uniforms and policies.

Pack 109 Needs Volunteers

MILLBURY - HELP WANTED! Cub Scout Pack 109 is in need of adult volunteers. If there are any former Boy Scouts who would like to do a good deed for today's scouts, your help is needed. You will be trained if you have no scouting experience and will also receive support from within the Pack. There is a training meeting in Oxford on Saturday, October 5. You can be as involved as you choose to be, and it is not necessary to have a son in the program. Call Debbie Harris at 865-1243 for more information.

Storyhour

SUTTON - Sign-up for the Fall Storyhour Program of the Sutton Public Library will take place during the week of September 30- October 5 during regular library hours.

The program will take place on Thursday mornings at 10:00 a.m. beginning October 10th at the Center and on Friday mornings, 10:00 a.m., beginning October 11th at the Manchaug branch. Seating is limited and will be done on a "first come-first serve" basis.

The hour will consist of reading stories, crafts, filmstrips and songs. The program is open to 3 - 5 year olds who have had no schooling experience. Enjoy and share your children's good feelings for learning about the seasons and the wonderful holidays soon to come.

From My Window on Farnsworth Court

By "Pastor Rae" Cameron

It is always exciting to get a response to "My Window." Many of you have come up to me personally and given words of encouragement, and for that I am grateful. I do have to be careful that it doesn't go to my head as Jesus warned the religious leaders of His day not to strive for the greeting in the marketplace. But please, don't let that stop you as I love to hear from you.

Several of you have recently sent me cards, and for that I am very grateful. I will begin on chemotherapy this week, and I'll let you know how that goes. Your prayers are still needed and very much appreciated.

As a result of my article on the Blackstone River, I have been made aware that there is a Blackstone River Watershed Association. Dan Griffith gave me a copy of their wonderful little booklet "Blackstone River Canoe Guide," and, the Good Lord willing and my health permitting, I will plan on using it next year. Many efforts are being made to make our Blackstone River what it should be as a vehicle of beauty and recreation. Plans are being formulated to have more parks and facilities along this lovely river.

With deepest respect for all these efforts, there are some very deep problems with our dear river. I have been told that most of the water from the Blackstone River comes as a result of the outflow of our Rte. 20 sewage plant. Also much of the water goes through some old dumps and plants that were located on its banks. Canoers are warned not to open their mouths if they should tip over. It would require tremendous efforts to rectify these situations.

Sin in our lives is also very deep routed and requires radical surgery of the Spirit. That was done for us through the death of the Lord Jesus Christ on Calvary's Cross. The requirement on our part to come to His full salvation is to become indeed dead unto sin, but alive unto God. Amen.

Preschool Openings

MILLBURY - The Millbury Federated Church Nursery School has a few openings left in their three day program. A child must be at least 2.9 years old and completely toilet trained. If interested, call 865-3886 for details.

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The other Board members noted a freeze was tried in the past and said it wouldn't work unless everyone cooperates.

Lachance and Bleau said the Board was told before that it was out of order in trying to enforce a hiring freeze.

Bleau suggested that department heads be advised that if a new hire is made and that person has to be let go, that department will be back-charged for the unemployment costs.

The Board finally agreed to send a letter to each department, encouraging them to use good judgement knowing the fiscal problems facing the town. The suggestion made by Bleau also is to be included in the letter.

Elected Secretary of MAADHS

MILLBURY - Mary Beth Howard, Program Director for the District Nursing Society Adult Day Health Care Center on Colonial Drive, was elected to the position of Secretary in the Massachusetts Association of Adult Day Health Services this week.

M.A.A.D.H.S. is a statewide organization that promotes Adult Day Health Care as a quality choice and a good alternative to nursing home placement. The center in Millbury has been open two years, and is open to area residents.

Friends Meeting

MILLBURY - The Friends of the Millbury Public Library will hold their annual meeting at the Library, 128 Elm Street, on Thursday, September 26, at 6:30. All members are invited to attend. Directly following the meeting, hostesses Elaine Loehmann and Karen Beaudoin invite members and their guests to an old fashioned "Thimble Tea" from The Butt'ry Shelf Cookbook by Tasha Tudor. Area quilters will display their works.

The menu will include: Thimble Tea Chicken Salad, Marmalade Muffins , Peach Pickles, Apple Crisp, Pot-of-Coffee or Four O'Clock Tea with "Grandma" Ballantyne's Scotch Shortbread. Note that 1991/92 membership dues are due in September.

Channel 16 Programming

SUTTON - Channel 16 programming, the local cable access channel, for the months of September and October, will be as follows:

SEPTEMBER 22
8:30 p.m.: "Inside Sutton," Sheila Finnegan, guest.
9:00 p.m.: Michele and Peter: "Living with Autism"
9:30 p.m.: "Hidden in Our Town: Illegal Dumping"
SEPTEMBER 26 and 29
7:00 p.m. "All About Sutton"
7:30 p.m. Inside Sutton: J. LeClaire and Kathy Romasco, producers, as guests
8:00 p.m. John Waters Day: "A Step Back in Time"
OCTOBER 3 and 6
7:30 p.m. Inside Sutton: Mike Whittier on speedboat and ATV enforcement.
8:00 p.m. "Diary of Waters Farm"
8:30 p.m. (October 3 only): John Waters Day: "A Step Back in Time"
OCTOBER 10 and 13
7:00 p.m.: Veterans Field Promo
7:30 p.m.: Inside Sutton: Veterans Memorial Field
8:00 p.m.: Disaster on Lackey Dam Road

Meeting Cancellation

MILLBURY - Due to the Columbus Day Holiday, The Millbury Planning Board will not hold its regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, October 14. The next meeting following the Holiday will be held on October 28 at the Municipal Office Building, 127 Elm Street, in the Planning Board Conference Room.

Receives Trustee Special Grant

DUDLEY - Maxine Dupre of Millbury was awarded a Trustee Special Grant at Nichols College for the 1991-92 academic year. The College awards these scholarships to students who have demonstrated excellence in academics, outstanding performance in student leadership and a commitment to school and community service.

Dupre, a Junior majoring in accounting at Nichols, is a dean's honor roll student and a member of the Zeta Alpha Phi Honor Society. She is the daughter of Francis and Helen Dupre of 8 Horne Street, Millbury, Mass.

Volunteers Needed

MILLBURY - The Millbury Board of Selectmen is soliciting volunteers to serve on the "Pay and Health Benefits Comparison Committee," created by town meeting. The Board is also seeking volunteers to serve on the "Water Study Committee" created by town meeting. If interested, please contact the Selectmen's office at #865-4710.

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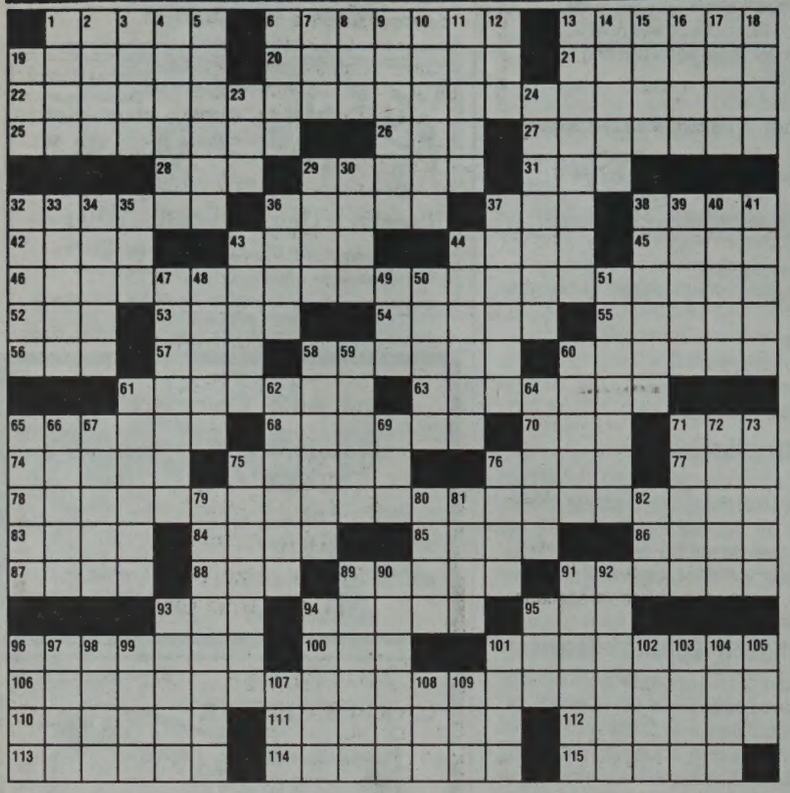

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By Frances Hansen

ACROSS

1 Ascend
6 Pets
13 Popular patio robe
19 Tosca
20 Put into motion
21 Kay Thompson's Plaza girl
22 Start of a verse for September
25 Open to suggestion
26 Thai language
27 Wail
28 Verbal "gift"
29 "Golden Boy" playwright
31 Cow's chew
32 Chopped off
36 Midwest terminal
37 Zilch
38 Builder of St. Louis bridge
42 Yearn
43 Jejune
44 Parlor piece
45 Major Barbara's creator
46 More of verse
52 Lamprey
53 Crucial March date
54 Walking —: elated
55 Like an otary
56 B'way hit sign
57 Cru product
58 Caper
60 Uncover
61 Dustin Hoffman hit: 1982
63 Lift up
65 Mend one's ways
68 Is
70 — glance
71 Sass
74 Hypothetical particle
75 Fishing net
76 Amorous Don
77 Coach Parseghian
78 More of verse
83 Songbird Adams
84 Potter's medium
85 Ride to hounds
86 Descartes
87 Tear apart
88 — are you?
89 Kind of naked
91 Horse color
93 Valued bauble
94 Matilda and Ananais
95 Protective coat
96 Sleeve opening
100 Intruder in the dust?
101 James Joyce's "—'s Wake"
106 End of verse
110 TV actress Arngrim
111 Windflower
112 "— of Honey": 1961 film
113 Lone Star State citizens
114 Part of AMA
115 Shrill barks

DOWN

1 — up: be silent
2 Earring site
3 Mashie or niblick
4 Sahara illusion
5 "— Leroy Brown": 1973 ditty
6 Singer Alice: Mrs. Phil Harris
7 Sept. follower
8 Last degree
9 Insult avenger
10 Woolly
11 Guiding beliefs
12 Red or Dead
13 Peripatetic phone
14 Voiced
15 Alate creature
16 "— yellow ribbon 'round..."
17 "— of phrases learnt...": Swift
18 State bird of Hawaii
19 Ala. neighbor
23 Vestment
24 Satan himself
29 Buckeye State
30 Arp's art movement
32 Famed prison warden
33 Paint pigment
34 Sleuth Vance
35 — person: each
36 Table scraps
37 Take heed of
38 Give the slip
39 Lermontov's "— of Our Time"
40 "Great" dogs
41 Garbo or Nobel
43 Concerning
44 Escargots
47 Leghorn, Italian style
48 Regional dialect
49 Court
50 Sea arm
51 Navigator's instrument
58 Stable state
59 Marie Antoinette, for one
60 — home: dine in
61 Leaned on the horn
62 Teeterboard
64 Boast about
65 Indy 500 entrant
66 Radiate
67 Make room for
69 Sun. talk
71 By and by
72 Papas from Greece
73 Jury body
75 Biblical dancer's namesakes
76 Word for food or mail
79 Flying formations
80 Sear
81 Cather's "One of —"
82 Hockey's Bobby
89 Transgressed
90 Japanese straw mat
91 Solomon Grundy's burial day
92 Richly decorated
93 Boarded
94 "Mule Train" singer Frankie
95 Five-spot
96 Rat-—: knocking sound
97 Upset
98 Nero's 2009
99 "For — jolly good fellow..."
101 Furnace feed
102 Equal, in Arles
103 Inhale sharply
104 River isles
105 Nearly no.
107 Dawber of "My Sister Sam"
108 Sinbad's avian transport
109 "— clear day..."

Solution to Last Week's Puzzle

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School Lunch Menus

WEEK OF September 23-27

MILLBURY HIGH SCHOOL

MONDAY: Juice, American Chop Suey, French Fries, Garlic Bread, Pudding

TUESDAY: Pancakes/Syrup, Link Sausages, French Fries, Applesauce

WEDNESDAY: Juice, Submarine Sandwich, French Fries, Fruit

THURSDAY: Hot Turkey Sandwich, French Fries, Peas, Cranberry Sauce, Apple Crisp/Topping

FRIDAY: Special Cheese Sandwich, French Fries, Mixed Vegetables, Ice Cream

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

MONDAY: Hamburger on a Roll, Pizza, Potato Puffs, Carrots, Peaches

TUESDAY: Chicken Nuggets, French Fries, Corn, Bread/Butter, Jello/Topping

WEDNESDAY: Juice, Submarine Sandwich, Potato Chips, Fruit

THURSDAY: Juice, American Chop Suey, Green Beans, Garlic Bread, Cookie

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[9.19,26]

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Town of Sutton
PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The Sutton Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, October 7, 1991 at 7:45 p.m. in the Municipal Center to review a petition of the Town, to amend its zoning map by changing the zoning of Parcel #8 on Assessors' Map #6 more particularly described on a deed recorded in the Worcester Registry of Deeds Book #12673, page 189 from Residential-Rural (R-1) to Business-Highway (B-2), or act or do anything in relation thereto.
Scott Paul, Chairman
September 12 and 19, 1991

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Sutton Finance and Warrant Advisory Committee

Pursuant to Section 2-3(b) of the Sutton Home Rule Charter, the Finance and Warrant Advisory Committee will conduct a public hearing on the articles submitted for the Annual Town Meeting October 21, 1991. The Hearing will be held on September 23, 1991, at 7:30 p.m. in the Sutton Municipal Center.

The public is invited to attend and make comments.

September 19, 1991

Town of Millbury
PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The Millbury Planning Board will hold a public hearing on Monday, September 23, 1991 at 9:00 p.m. at the Municipal Office Building, 127 Elm Street, Millbury to discuss the proposed By-law regarding electromagnetic fields.

September 12 and 19, 1991

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Roach replied that practices have been canceled because the coach was absent. She asked Filipkowski if he could reassure her that when practices are scheduled they will be held.

"I can assure you that unless there are dire circumstances, practices will be held as scheduled," Filipkowski answered.

Anderson said the issue was not simply a question of absences but said that some feel the practices could be better run. He noted that he didn't know how to evaluate that in the absence of any tool to do so. He did say he would like to see a stronger program.

Filipkowski said, "I have no problem with that, if that's your wish."

High School Principal Ed Grant remarked that the basketball program was over last February and said he had not heard any of these complaints. He also said that the committee should pass the complaints on to the administration.

Roach said the committee takes the heat because some people do not feel comfortable going to the administration. She asked Filipkowski if there have been any complaints about the two positions.

Filipkowski replied that there have been a minimum of complaints, "no more than three people in regards to the two coaches mentioned," he said.

The committee voted 4-0 to appoint William Brosnihan as boys Junior High Basketball Coach on a 4-0-1 vote with Roach abstaining.

Spence then said that he felt somewhat awkward sitting back in silence over the vote taken not to rehire Romasco since he has never had a recommendation voted down in the past 22 years. "I can honestly say he has been a credit to the game and coaching," Spence said.

Spence also said that to let Romasco go could be devastating to the program. "I have had the opportunity to deal with basketball coaches in all levels throughout New England, and I would say he is right up there in the top level," he said.

Roach made a plea to her colleagues to reconsider their vote before the meeting adjourned.

It was noted by Spence that a vote for reconsideration would have to come from the prevailing side and a vote would have to take place the same day as the previous motion.

There was no response to Roach's appeal.

The meeting then moved on to other appointments: two clerk positions, two Special Needs Tutors, three Special Needs Aides, and one Special Education Speech/Language Assistant. All candidates were unanimously approved.

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, the committee unanimously voted:

- to approve an Equal Opportunity Grant for $123,242.
- reject all oil bids as being not in the best interest of the town. New bids to be solicited.
- May 22, 1992 as the graduation date for seniors.
- a change in Physical Education credits since juniors and seniors will not be taking P.E. any more per State regulations.
- to schedule the Varsity Sports Banquet.
- to participate in the 1991-1992 School Lunch Program.

The report of the sub-committee on the use of School Property was deferred to the next meeting.

On a suggestion by Roach, a copy of the cost per pupil report will be sent to Selectmen Chizy who expressed interest in that information.

The committee held a moment of silence on behalf of former English teacher Aldina Stowe, who died recently.

The committee adjourned at 7:26 p.m. on a 4-1 vote, with Roach voting in the negative.

Harbro Open House

LINWOOD - On Saturday, September 21, Harbro Auto will hold its 2nd annual Open House at their Whitinsville location. The public is invited to join in the celebration of 18 years of service to the automotive needs of the Blackstone Valley. Founded in 1973 by Tim and Dave Hare, the company has grown to two locations, the second opening in Webster in 1985, and employs a total of 18 full and part time employees.

Anyone attending the Open House will receive a free car wash from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Free coffee and donuts, and cider will be served all day. Free hot dogs will be served between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. There will be free helium balloons for the children and a free surprise gift for the first 50 guests.

There will also be a drawing for prizes, including a $100 cash prize and dinner for two at the Axe Mill Tavern in East Douglas. You must be a licensed driver over the age of 18 to be eligible for the drawing.

Hillside Club

SUTTON - On Wednesday, October 9, at 8:00 p.m. the West Sutton Hillside Club, 659 Central Turnpike, will host speaker Carol Ryan from the Extension Service. The topic of the evening will be Women and Finances. The public is invited, and refreshments will be served. There will be a free will offering.

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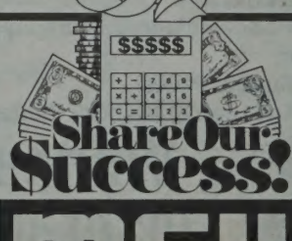

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